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## MEXICAN WAR:

SHOWING THE SENTIMENTS

LEADING LOCO-FOCOS ON THE SUBJECT.

Before and Since the Nomination of Jas. K. Polk; PROVED BY EXTRACTS FROM THEIR

## seeches & Written Communications.

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stem of insu-stem of insu-raned. Our citizens raned, their vess [Polk's late Annual Message. -In the meantime, have citizens of the Uni ted States been guilty of any spoliations on Mexico?

4 — Nothing is either more true or more extensively own, then that Texas was wrested from Mexico, and independence established through the instrumental of citizens of the United States. Equally true is it. this was done not only applied the winner. Me Van Buren's Letter to Mr. Hammet, April 20, 1844

Q .- If our Government, with Gen. Jackson at its ald not prevent our citizens from wresting Texas from Mexico, is it probable the Mexican Government was in a condition to prevent its citi-rens from committing spoliations on citizens of the

American continent, occupying a territory configuous to our own, and was in a feeble and distracted condition; and these considerations. It is presumed, induced Congress to forbear still longer." [Polk's late Annual Message, s of the United States?

A .- "Mexico has admitted these lojuries, but has ne ted and refused to repair them."
[Polk's Annual Message, 1845.

Q.—How has she talked about them?

A.—The reply of the Mexican Government bears date on the twenty-mixth of the same morth, and contains assumed the twenty-mixth of the same morth, and contains assumed to the language of the 'anxious wish' of the Mexican Government 'not to delay the moment of that final and equital is adjustment which is to terminate the existing difficulties between the two Governments; 'that 'nothing should be left unders which may contribute to the most speedy and equitable determination of the subjects which have so seriously engaged the attention of the American Government; 'that the 'Mexican Government would adopt, as the only guides for its conduct, the plainest principles of public right, the sacred obligations imposed by international law, and the religious faith of treaties; and that 'whatever reason and justice may dictate respecting each case will be done.'

[Polik state Annual Mexage.

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BY GREELEY & McELRATH.

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A.—"I return to the Senate, in which it originated, the bill entitled. An Act to provide for the Ascertamment and Satisfaction of Claims of American citizens for spollations committee by the French, prior to the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and one which was presented to me on the sixth inst. with my objections to its becoming a law.

[Palk's Veto Message, Aug. 8, 1846.]

A portion of the claims have been more than half a attury before the Government, in its Executive or Le-lative departments and all of them had their origin in events which occurred prior to the year 1800."
[Same Veto Message.

Q .- Does not our " Treaty of Limits" with Mex ico entirely exclude Texas from the United States, and leave it to Mexico?

A.— The United States might justly be suspected of a disregard of the friendly purposes of the compact, if the overture of Gen. Hunt were to be even reserved for

the overture of Gen. Hunt were to be even reserved for future consideration, as this would imply a disposition on our part to espouse the quarrel of Texas with Mexico-a disposition wholly at variance with the spirit of the treaty, and with the uniform policy and obvious welfare of the United States."

[Mr. Forsyth's answer to Gen. Hunt. Q.—Did Henry Clay foretel war would be the consequence of annexing Texas to the United States."

Now, for one, I certainly am not willing to involve this country in a foreign war for the object of acquiring Texas." [Mr. Clay Letter to the Editors of the National Intelligencer, April 17, 1844.

A.— Could we hope to stand perfectly justified in the eyes of mankind for entering into it; more especially if its commencement is to be preceded by the appropriation to our own uses of the territory, the sovereign of which is in dispute between two nations, one of which we are to join in the struggle? This, sir, is a

Q—Why were not all the claims decided at that take?

A—The the month of February, 1842, the term of the Commission expired, leaving many claims undisposed of for wast of time.

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Q—Was the subsequently presented to the Mexicos Government and were so far recognized, that a treaty previding for their examination and sellement by a joint Commission, was concluded and gigned at Nexico on the twentieth day of November, 183.

Q—Was the amount which the joint Commission was concluded and gigned at Nexico on the twentieth day of November, 184.

Q—Was the amount which the joint Commission was concluded to be due to American citizens paid by Mexico of the united States has invaded our territory, and shed American blood upon the American collino of that Republic, as well as the probable advantages to result to both from the proposed annexation, were placed before us in an elaborate and able communication. It can scarcely be necessary to say that the application was considered with that attention and care which were to the surface of a young and neighboring State, whose independence we had been and sincerely hope ever will constitute, and sincerely hope with constitute, and the full influence of feelings of sincere solicitude for the prosperity and permanent websare of a young and neighboring State, whose independence we had been and sincerely hope ever will constitute, the provide solution of the United States.

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A.—"The recognition of Texas as an independent tate was a measure which received, in various and ap-ropriate forms, the sanction of every department of the

ish American States.

A.— That these avowals were in strict conformity to the true principles of the Law of Nations, there can be no doubt. They were, at all events, those which this Government has solemnly announced as its rule of action in regard to contests between rival parties for the supreme power in Foreign States. That the admission of Texas as a member of this Confederacy, while the contest for the maintenance of the independence she had acquired was still pending, and a consequent assumption of the responsibility of protecting her against invasion, would have been a plain departure from the laws and usages of Nations, and a violation of the principles to which we had avowed our adherence in the face of the world, was too clear to be dambted."

[Mr. V. B. & Letter.

sincerely hope ever will constitute the prevailing sense in ment of the people of the United States.

[Mr. V. B.'s Letter, referred to above. [Mr. V. B.'s Letter, ref why was it, by the terms of the next treaty, as we paid in instalments?

A.—The Minister of the United States at Mexico has been only authorized to make demand for the payment of the awards according to the terms of the Convention, and the provisions of the Act of Congress of the twelfth of June, 1840.

Beth as also been furnished with the instructions, to be followed by him in case the flower memory of Mexico should not find itself in a condition is specie or its equivalent.

President Polor's Annual Message, Dec. 8, 1840.

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assertion that "Mexico had passed the boundary of the United States," can if not be proved by his own words, that before Gen. Taylor was ordered to the

A.— With a sincere desire to preserve peace, and reture relations of good understanding between the two lepublics. I waived all ceremony as to the manner of enewing diplomatic intercourse between them: and.

"On the 10th of November, 1845, Mr. John Slidell of Louisiana was commissioned by me as Euroy Extraor. If the Properties of the Properties

Grande, and was in the possession of Mexico ?

A-Let any honest supporter of James K. Polk an-Q—If the Rio Grande from "its mouth to its source" is the boundary of Texas, and she has, as Polk tells us in his last annual Message, extended Secretary of State the 8th of July nd telling us in that language, that Texas is Practically free and independent," "no hostile oot finding rest within her territory for six or soven has been captured without bloodshed? be so ignorant as not to know that a large part of that Province, "with Santa Fé, its capital," lies East of the Rio Grande?

Q.—Is it not evident his memory is shorter than is Message?

-Did Mexico " pass the boundary of the Unit

A-13 Polk says so. 22
Q-1s he who wages an onjust war accountable or the evils it produces?

4.— Whoever entertains a true licend war—whoever midlers its terrible effects, it destructive and unhap-consequences—will readily gree that it should never undertaken without the most cogeni reasons. Human-revoits against a sovereign who, without necessity or thout very powerful reasons lavishes the blood of his out faithful subjects, and exposes his people to the ca-mittee of war, when he has it in his power to maintain one in the enforment of an hongrable and sainters.

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## DISPATCHES FOR THE TRIBUNE BY ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH. NEW-YORK LEGISLATURE.

SENATE THURSDAY, Jan. 14-1 o'clock P. M. Nothing done of any consequence. Jourson ASSEMBLY.

Two petitions were presented praying for the exemption of the 1st Regiment from the operation

of the N Y, and Eric Railroad was received. The report is in favor of the route through Pennsylvania.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12, 1817-5 P. M. What I hinted at in my letter last night is today a matter of history. Senatur PENNURACKER of

of inconsistent wickedness is this Leviathan

the death of Senator PENNYBACKER announced by his colleague. Mr. Aleckers. The House were for a short time engaged on the Oregon Territory bill, till Death strode in on his fleshless limbs and shouted in the leaden ears of statesmen that they too were mortal. Mr. Mc-Dowell of Va. announced the death of the de-ceased in a brief calogium, whereupon the House The foneral ceremonies will take place

as Purser, was sent in yesterday, in place of another, (Bissell, I believe,) resigned. Thus two are appointed from the city, while Western New York winted one of her citizens appointed to the office. But such is the inture of Leos-Focism.—Party aggrandizement is their "Alpha and Ometry the control of the It is their beginning—I trust it will be their RICHELIEU.

of State by the Massachusetts Legislature on Wednesday. On the second ballot Mr. P. received 161 votes-255 being the whole number cast.

co-Foco minority, it has been necessary to change the This year, to meet the diminished number in the

Peck of Livingston. The candidates for the clerk

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## Beneral Notices.

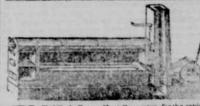
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